

Howard County Council

George Howard Building 3430 Court House Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043-4392 Liz Walsh, Chair
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District 3
David Yungmann
District 5

Meeting Minutes - Approved

Capital Budget Work Session #3

Virtual Meeting Wednesday, April 28, 2021 9:30 a.m.

The Chairperson opened the Meeting at 9:32 a.m.

Members Present: Liz Walsh, Chairperson; Opel Jones, Vice Chairperson; Deb Jung; Christiana Rigby; David Yungmann.

Council Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Council Administrator; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor.

Administration Staff Present: Noted below.

Council Questions

Craig Glendenning and Holly Sun provided a review of how Council questions are tracked and responded to through a question portal. Chairperson Walsh requested urgent responses to questions and review of sharing of information with all councilmembers.

<u>General County</u> - Continuation Public Works – (3 hours 30 minutes)

Department of Public Works provided responses to Council questions of various projects. Highlighted projects are noted below.

C0352 Site Acquisition for Schools Department of Public works responded to Council questions about expenditures in this project including the sale of the Flier Building, Program Open Space funding.

C0359 – Turf Valley School Site Acquisition Discussion about the change from an Installment Purchase Agreement which was approved by Council and the direct purchase as proposed in the FY2022 Proposed Capital Budget. Council requested information about the changes in terms of this agreement.

C0364 – New Cultural Center Carl DeLorenzo provided a status of this project. A project team has been assembled and the team is using the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding to

(410) 313-2001 fax: (410) 313-3297 http://cc.howardcountymd.gov guide the project management. There was general discussion about the payments made in FY2022 and the stormwater management on the parcel.

Council requested additional information about:

- The finalized agreements;
- The status of the low-income tax credit from DHCD;
- Flood mitigation plans; and
- The Sole Source Contract Review Committee.

C0365 - Systemic Facility Improvements General discussion about relocation of Departments due to the new Courthouse opening in July 2021 and status of leased space.

<u>Sewer</u>

Department of Public Works provided responses to general questions from the Council about Sewer projects.

Water

Council Members did not have questions about Water Capital Projects.

Storm Drainage

Department of Public Works provided responses to Council questions of various projects. Highlighted projects are noted below.

D1124 – Drainage Improvement Program General discussion about the drainage improvements in the project including Harriett Tubman property, Watch Chain Way, and Atholton High School.

D1148 – NPDES Watershed Management Program Department of Public Works responded to Council questions about the use of salt and liquid brine on roads during winter weather events.

General discussion about various drainage projects, details of work performed, and costs incurred.

<u>C0337 - Ellicott City Improvements</u>

The Department of Public Works responded to Council questions about this project. This included discussion of the use of Pay-As-You-GO versus Bond Funding. In addition to discussions about the decision to build the North Tunnel and historical studies of stormwater management in Ellicott City.

Council requested additional information about what has been done to stop storm water from getting down to Main Street Ellicott City.

(410) 313-2001 fax: (410) 313-3297 http://cc.howardcountymd.gov The Department of Finance provided details of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan (WIFI) and the use of these funds.

Capital project C0337 – Ellicott City Improvements will be included in a future work session to discuss the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan and other details of this project.

The Meeting concluded at 2:58 pm

4/28/2021 CIP Work Session Attendee List:

Budget:

Holly Sun Brook Mamo

Finance:

Rafiu Ighile Angela Price Nikki Griffith

EDA:

Larry Twele Elaine Brown

Administration:

Carl Delorenzo

DPW:

Tom Meunier

Rebecca Kidwell

Mark Stromdahl

Sharon Walsh

Mark Deluca

Mark Richmond

Carl Katenkamp

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